

REMARKS

Claims 10-17 are pending. Their previous presentation – Preliminary Amendment, mailed December 8, 2003 - erroneously lacked the necessary claim identifiers. The present presentation seeks to correct the error and is believed to be in compliance with the Rules.

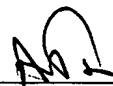
The claims stand rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-9 of U.S. Patent 6,670,420.

The Terminal Disclaimer submitted herewith is believed to address and overcome this rejection.

Believing the above represent a complete response to the Office Action and the application is in condition for allowance, applicants request the earliest issuance of an indication to this effect.

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